# CONSUMER TASK FORCE MEETING MICHIGAN ASSSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARDS

APRIL 22, 2008

**ATTENDEES**: RoAnne Chaney, Jacqui Day, Laura Hall, Sharon Hall, Sara Harrison, Kristy List, Suanne McBrien, Marion Owen, Sarah Sewejda, Sarah Slocum, Cyndy Viars, Jack Vint, Tammy Yeomans, Nora Barkey, Robert Curtner, Michael Daeschlein, Wendi Middleton, Tari Muniz, Ellen Sugrue-Hyman

**MINUTES:** Minutes from 3/25 accepted with minor corrections.

**OFFICE UPDATE** - At the time of this meeting, the interviews for the Systems Transformation Director were being conducted. However, the Office has now determined that Jane Alexander, who is already working at the Office, will assume these duties.

## STATUS OF BUDGET

Appropriations sub-committee meeting was held in Detroit April 21. It was well attended by providers and LTC consumers. Testimony included support for the Long-Term Care Connections and home and community based services, more information is needed on LTC options, and nursing facility industry concerns regarding the survey process.

Laura still wants personal stories for the meetings she is planning with legislators.

### **PROJECT UPDATES:**

• LTC Self-Determination - Cash and Counseling grant ended March 31, 2008. The final report will be included in the next packet. 217 enrollees in self-determination. 4 waiver agents, in addition to the 4 pioneer sites, are actively enrolling consumers in self-determination. Currently, the Office is looking at waiver agent needs for further expansion. We will develop a plan for training and technical assistance. The national TA provider held focus groups with consumers and providers; their report will be forthcoming.

Project Success - Cyndy Viars: completed 2 of 3 sessions. The Office is planning to replicate the training. The training needs to tie into self-determination

- LTCC Nora reviewed her written report. A survey of consumers who received. Options Counseling is underway.
- Self-Determination There is a self-determination implementation forum, May 13, 2008. Topics include self-determination myths. The next forum is

July 8. The International Self-Determination Conference is May 27-29, in Detroit.

• 1915(B)(C) WAIVER DEVELOPMENT STATUS - Rob reviewed Wisconsin conference. Their ADRCs are in each county; they have governor leadership to eliminate waiting lists, etc.

Working with CMS on a waiver to implement a prepaid health plan model in Detroit. **Issues**: Wisconsin invested lots of state staff in Quality Assurance. Michigan may have trouble doing this.

**NURSING FACILITY TRANSITION -** Operation Protocol was submitted by Ellen Speckman-Randall.

**SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION GRANT -** Anyone interested in participating in the Advisory groups should contact the Office.

**NURSING FACILITY VARIABLE COST -** Sarah distributed Mike Head's power point and data from the Health Care Association of Michigan. The issue is whether or not a limit is put on nursing facility daily rate increases. Savings of \$31 million would be redirected to home and community- based care.

# **OTHER BUSINESS**

- May meeting is cancelled
- Laura is meeting with Peggy Brey on May 23. Let her know if you have any issues you'd like her to raise.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

**JULY 22, 2008**; 10:00 - noon, Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards

**AUGUST 26 2008**; 10:00 - noon, Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards